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14. (Confidential - GLC) John Goldsmith, Senate Armed Services Committee staff, called with references to current press items on the possibility of a major military offensive in North Vietnam and asked if we could fill him in on the situation in the next day or two.

Later in the day I took [] to Goldsmith's office where he gave him a briefing on the subject. Goldsmith was most appreciative and said he might contact us again on this subject in the next day or two.

15. (Secret - GLC) Met with Ed Braswell, Chief Counsel, Senate Armed Services Committee, and left with him a rough draft of a proposed letter to Chairman McClellan, Senate Appropriations Committee, from the Director expressing concern over section 406 of the HUD appropriations bill (H.R. 15572) as reported by the Senate Appropriations Committee. I also left with Braswell material prepared by the Office of Finance on Economy Act fund transfers to and from other Government agencies during FY 1974 and briefed him on certain types of transfers represented by these figures. I believe Braswell has a much better grasp of the magnitude of this problem now. I told him the draft letter would need polishing and coordination and I would be in touch with him further about it.

I briefed Braswell on the latest developments on a sensitive project and told him that Carl Duckett would probably be up to brief him in more detail by the first of next week.

I also mentioned to Braswell our negotiations with Senator Proxmire's people on a possible briefing on the Soviet space program (Subcommittee on Housing and Urban Development, Space, Science, and Veterans, Appropriations Committee.)

16. (Unclassified - GLC) In response to her call of yesterday, I advised Phyllis Bacon, Senate Armed Services Committee staff, that we were preparing a letter to the Chairman which would cover both Senator Stennis' bill to amend the National Security Act (S. 2597) and Senator Proxmire's version on these amendments (S. 3767).

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10. (Internal Use Only - JGO) Met with Bruce Merkle, Administrative Assistant to Representative William G. Bray (R., Ind.) and received from him a copy of a letter dated 26 July from the Embassy of the Republic of Zambia with enclosures concerning Rhodesian sanctions. [REDACTED] AF Division, ^{25X1} has been advised. This correspondence is provided as a matter of information and no response is necessary.

11. (Internal Use Only - KKH) Received a call from Miss Hoem, ^{25X1} in the office of Senator Mike Mansfield (D., Mont.), who requested the number [REDACTED]

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12. (Unclassified - GLC) Tried to reach Bill Jones, Director of Office of Intelligence Liaison, INR, State Department, to talk with him about State's proposed followup submission to the Muskie Surveillance Committee. Lawson Moyer, in Jones office, said he was on leave today and would have him call me tomorrow.

13. (Unclassified - GLC) Received a call from Nate Miller, Senate Appropriations Committee staff, who read to me the text of the statement he was preparing for Chairman McClellan's use on the subject of CIA and Water-gate. The statement is a ringing endorsement of the Agency which is highly critical of Senators Baker and Proxmire without mentioning them by name. I told Miller I thought the statement went a little too far in both directions, but this was a matter for the Chairman's judgment. He said he always went all out in these drafts and then let Jim Calloway, Committee Counsel, and the Chairman tone them down. I suggested he at least take notice in the statement of the fact that the Agency had provided Howard Hunt with certain materials and a psychological assessment on Daniel Ellsberg, otherwise I thought the Chairman would be vulnerable to criticism. Miller said he agreed with this and would include something in the statement on these items.

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